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#### POPULAR SCIENCE.

For articles of rubber which have become hard and brittle Dr. Pol recommends the following treatment: Immerse the articles in a mixture of water of ammonia one part and water two parts, for a time varying from a few minutes to an hour, according to the circumstances of the case: When the mixture has acted enough on the rubber it will be found to have recovered all its elasticity, smoothness and softness.

THE royal engineers have tried the effeet of gun-cotton in bringing down two old chimneys at the dock-yard extension works, Chatham, England. The first was demolished by placing a necklace of gun-cotton inside the chimney, the total charge consisting of about four and a half pounds. The second was de-stroyed by placing six charges of the ex-

twenty-eight ounces. The experiment was very successful. At the instant the electric spark ignited the gun-cotton the chimneys became wrecks.

AFTER a tolerably exhaustive examination of the biography of the subject, Dr. Otto Kuntze maintains, but on ground not quite satisfactory, that the gulf weed consists of many varieties or species of Sargassum enlgare, and that the plants so named in the lump are either dying or dead and incapable of reproduction. There does not appear to be any good reason for assigning a definite and constant area to the Sargasso sea. Patches of weed occur more frequently in the region of calms, but sometimes there is very little of the weed there. Winds also affect the distribution of the patches with regard to each other and the posi-

tion of the whole mass of weed. ATTENTION has been directed by M. Moride to a new kind of food to which the name "nutricine" has been given, Its preparation is thus described: Row meat, from which bones and tendons have been carefully excised, is passed into suitable machines along with nitrogenized slimentary substances, such as bread, to absorb the water of the meat, and, possibly, to form new combinations with it. After the mass thus prepared is dried in a stove under a mild heat it is pulverized and sifted. A powder of an agreeable taste, and varying from yellow to gray in color, is the result. When albumen, fats, or gummed water is added to this powder solid cakes or cubes may be broken up, as occasion may require, for soups or sauces. This nutricine is admirably qualified to sustain physical vigor, and it can be preserved any length of time if it is kept from the deteriorating influence of an atmosphere charged with moisture and from the action of heat.

Revenge is Sweet. Gallagher is satisfied. The facts are these: Gallagher was the president of a dramatic club and wrote a piece for them. It called for nine persons, and everybody in the cast except Gallagher considered that he or she had the worst part and that it was made so on purpose. At first they didn't propose to play, but finally decided to do so and concocted a plan to punish Gallagher. He played the hero, and in the first act said farewell to his mother and went off to sea, and when she parted with him she contrived to wrench his head and scratch his nose on a pin fixed in the shoulder of her dress for that purpose That eased her mind and disturbed his. But he submitted. In the next act he appeared on shipboard and had to be knocked down by the cruel captain, who hit him so earnestly with a belaving-pin that it nearly killed him. And then when he headed the mutiny and cried to the mutineers, "Follow me!" somebody opened a trap and he ignominously fell through it and got terribly guyed by the audience. He was awful mad, but determined to conquer in spite of the disaster, and so came up and went on with the play. In the third act he was to have a terrible combat with the villain of the play and whip him, Mr. Hencoop Smythe played the part. He was satisfied that he had the worst part of the piece, and that Gallagher made it so to spite him. Gallagher, as he clinched him, cried: "Villain, I'll beat your life out in two seconds." But he didn't. not spare your life!" sounded absurd. Before the villain consented to be overcome, he had got the audience to shriekappear. But he sent a substitute. That substitute was a prize-fighter, under an assumed name. He hugged the mother in the parting seen, that he nearly killed her, and pulled her false hair off, accidentally. He threw the cruel captain down the trap. He hurt all the other actors, and, in the fight with the villain. mopped the whole stage with him and nurled him clear through the back flat, The company and scenery were com-pletely wrecked, confusion reigned, and

A Street-Car Scene. An amusing incident occurred on a

Gallagher sat in front and laughed till

he nearly died. Revenge is sweet!-Bos-

street-car the other day. A woman of quickly exclaims:

fifty, made up to look about twenty-five "Then you have years old, got aboard at a crossing to find every seat occupied. She stood for a moment, and then selecting a poorlydressed man, about forty-five years of age, she observed:

'Are there no gentlemen in this car?" "Indeed, I dunno," he replied, as he looked up and down, "If there ain't, and you are going clear through, I'll hunt up one for you at the end of the

There was an embarrassing silence for a moment, and then a light broke in on him all of a sudden, and he arose and lived by that lake all my life, and never the come a wind.

"You can have this seat, madam. I | Friday?"

am allus willing to stand up and give my seat to anybody older than myself."

That decided her. She gave him a look which he will not forget to his dying day, and, grabbing, the strap, she refused to sit down, even when five seats had become vacant.—New York Herald.

### The Biting End.

'You did wrong to shoot that man's dog. You might have pushed him off with the butt of your gun," said the Galveston recorder to a man who was

"I would have done that," replied the risoner, "if the dog had come at me ing end."- Galveston News.

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#### GERTIE'S GLOVE.

Slips of a kid skin deftly sewn,
A scent as through her garden blown,
The tender hue that clothes her dove,
All these—and this is Gertle's glove. A glove but lately doffed, for look— It keeps the happy shape it took Warm from the touch! What gave the glow! And where's the mold that shaped it so?

It clasped the hand, so pure, so sleek, Where Gertie rests a pensive cheek, The hin i, that when the light wind stirk, Reproves those laughing locks of hers. Your fingers four, you little thumb! Were I but you, in days to come, I'd class and kies an I keep her go! And tell her that I told you so.

A GIRL'S FANCY. BY EDWARD J. BRIVNER.

It is a quiet summer afternoon, and the valley in the Catskills where we find skiff that monopolizes the little lake thoving gently along without a ripple to make pretense of barring its progress. Brownfields is a delightful place, but if it were not for the visitors with whom the Peters fill their house in the summer lonely enough to be called wild. With the Peters and their friends, and with the groups of workmen that Mr. Peters' forges have gathered in the valley, we have little to do; but will turn again to look at the fisher-boy, the sole occupant of the skiff.

Jimmie Gordon is ambitious, and for the son of an Irish workman-the foreman at one of the shops-is well educated and refined. Mr. More, a city clergymen who spent some of his vacations at Brownfields, was struck with his quick native shrewdness, and, taking an interest in him, loaned him books, talked with him, helped him orally while in the mountains, and afterward by correspondence; and Jimmie's own intelligence and earnest application have done the rest; so that when we meet him as Mr. Peters' fisherman, he not only intends, with a true American sanguineness, to rise, but is far better equipped for the battle he has enlisted in than many even who start on a good deal higher plane. Meanwhile he attends strictly to business, and to-day, when we find him on the lake, has finished his fishing for the day, and is idly sculling

about, thinking of that better fortune that he has resolved shall be his in time, and wondering in what shape the fates will bring it to him. Miss Etta Larton does not in the least look like a Fate as she comes down the hill-path with her cousin, George Larton, and their mutual friend, Harry Ellis; in fact, we are very much inclined to agree with George when he thinks of her to-day as much more of a Grace; but if she is not a Fate herself she is certainly a notable instrument of their will. They are all three stopping with a large party at Montrose, the nearest apology for a town, and this full four miles away. Miss Larton, however, "goes in" for walking as the proper thing in the mountains, and rather against the will of her escorts, has covered the whole four miles on foot, and is still fresh and ready for adventures when she enters the fittle Brownsfields valley. Rather dark, of medium height, and in sturdy good

health, shall be the whole of her personal description; and for her "state in life" it will be enough to say that she is the only daughter of the richest man in Cleveland, and so of course spoiled, but withal, very fascinating, as Cousin George can testify. She is given to whims, and just now the fancy that object, though no longer with a dream-strikes her is to have a row on the clear ing indefiniteness. The time since Etta below, so that the one duty of her obedi-ent companions is to find the ways and little lake that is so invitingly laid out left Montrose for home has by no means means; not altogether an easy task, see | she is constant; and in the corresponding that all the boats are carefully locked | ence which she grants him has, instead up, except the one that Jimmie and his of dulling her interest in this latest no- elopement; over the awful day when, Clothier, fish use with not the best effects as to tion, added fresh fuel to the flame.

pecting to see her again any more than palpitations, but with considerably more

next week. hero's life. He is quite good-looking great deal. quite correctly attired for a country hop, and so far from finding Etta's infatuaation vanished as suddenly as it was bogn, she seems worse than before. Going to meet him as he enters the room, with an eager, bright smile, she

"Then you haven't failed us?" "Why, no; surely I wouldn't miss such a chance as this," And then, sudmodify this, he adds, "and of seeing

him, and all her habitual coquettery taken such a hold on her. "No," said Jimmie, "I enjoyed my

A quick flush of pleasure comes to her

knew how beautiful it was before last

"Then this is really your home? We were wondering whether you belonged here, or were only a visitor." At this palpable attempt to pump him

he was silent for a moment; but thinking it best to seem candid, he answered: "Yes, I was born and raised here." Then, smilingly, "I'm only a country boy, you know. You may be sure, though, not too much of an one to thank you for your kindness to me."

Little as he yet understands the full extent of his influence over her, and thinking that she only takes some such intercharged with shooting a neighbor's est in him as Mr. More has, he yet feels will only give you to a rich man, and that he must not shock this rich young that I won't be for some time. If you tree to shake down a coon. Just how he lady with the full truth about himself marry me now he will easily give in, and felt when he found the coon to be a bear

and still another, the Larton party begin to talk; but all look on it as a flirtation

makes no attempt to interfere. George Larton alone gains a little clearer sight from his intense jealousy, young, the father's consent has only been won after a most earnest siege and renewed proofs of reform; and when at last obtained, has by no means brought with it Etta's love. At thirty he is not even on trial, and has a morbid hatred for any man who seems to be receiving the least favor.

Hurrying across the room to claim the next dance, which is slue him, and he is doubly infuriated at Etta's quiet re-

"O George! I am very sorry, but I forot you, and have promised this to Mr. Jordon. "I am sorry too," was the angry reply, to deprive Mr. Gordon of your society, as this will be his last chance of seeing

on; but I wish particularly to speak to

on at once. A little scared at his manner, she takes his arm pettishly, and turns away with him, saying:

"The next shall be yours, then, Mr. Gordon. "Etta," exclaimed George, "you positively must not dance with that fellow again. I am acting in place of your father now, and cannot see you flirting publicly with a man not a fit associate for you, and becoming the talk of the entire room.

Very well; I consider 'this fellow' a fit associate for me or for you, and as I never was kept from doing what I pleased by people's talking, you won't frighten me in that way."

And so he has killed his own hopes, Rousing all her feminine and individual perversity, the only result of his protest s to see her spend the most of the evening with Jimmie; to see him brought up to Mrs. Larton, and capturing her as effeetually as her daughter with his sunny blue eyes and sturdy, handsome face, to hear him invited to Cleveland!

In the midst of it all Jimmie's heart is beating very fast, and his head swimnight with strange, new hopes of securand a quicker route than he had even dreamed of before. That he is purely mercenary it would be hardly fair to say; for most men can be flattered into a glimpse of their future. liking, if not into love, and Jimmie certainly can hardly help being tlattered. Very few young men exist but are a liteven admiration of a pretty and attracference in social position, in wealth and every thing else as in these two, we must turned. Being turned, it is easy to see why it should fancy it was the heart, and almost to think itself in love as easily as Etta has been.

And now we will drop the curtain for a few weeks, to raise it again during the early fall in Cleveland. In the cab that is driving up Fuelid Avenue we find our hero, the same boy whom we met on the lake at Brownfields, still intent on his

cleanliness. Still, as it is the only one, it must be had, and Jimmie, in response to Larton's request, immediately rows up and takes the party, Miss Etta in the and takes the party, Miss Etta in the large transfer of the hardsome. The large transfer of the hardsome to the large transfer of the hardsome transfer of the Is there such a thing as love at first sight? Surely; and before the trip around the lake is finished, Etta is completely conquered by the blue eves of to assume of being an agent for Mr. pletely conquered by the blue eves of to assume or being an age that this Irish fisher-lad. On his part he fel:

Peters. And now, with all his arrange-knows only hardship; but when, at five years old, she begins to delight her

ledge picked up at the forges and in his

enough and "nice" enough not to seem | And so the days go on, Jimmie's luck out of place in a frock-coat; and by favoring him steadily until he has won careful use of his own and brother's best. Etta's pledge of her love, her stenclothes, he is able to appear at the hotel | mother's good will, her father's esteem, Her Cousin George had gone to California, disgusted, as soon as he got home from the Catskills, and Mr. Ellis, who is the only person besides Etta that knows anything of Jimmie's real position, is

South on a long trip. On a lovely September morning the lovers are standing at the lakeside, watching the bright smulight that sparkles in Innumerable diamonds on each little denly reflecting that it would be best to wave crest, while a great, lumbering schooner creeps lazily along with an occasional clank of its boom against the mast, and the cool swish of the water, face at this first sign of admiration from that seems to grow deeper and darker and colder as the shadow of the hull falls | pared to be proud of my son-in-law. comes to abet the curious folly that has across it. All around is the dazzling sunshine, that here and there flashes | Jacob served his apprenticeship for only white from a sail trying to coax motion six years, and that after he got his row too much the other day not to come from an air too hot and tired to stir into Rachel; but it served him in good stead,

> know that papa goes to Europe to-morrow for six weeks?" "No, I hadn't heard a word of it. It must be a very sudden move." "Very. He only made up his mind

"You are not going too, as you thought

von would on his next trip?" "No, I can't get ready. "Etta," says Jimmie, after a moment's pause, "have you the courage for a bold tep while he is away ?"

last night,"

the couple follow this up by another, you can't agree to this, we may as well United States Laws Regarding Dress. give up all our hopes."

Very charming she looks, with her little, haughty air, but very commanding, the natural result of his long and painful and her lover very wisely leaves her to suit. Rather dissipated when very the balancing of duty and inclination, of pradence and self-will, that is so sure to turn in his favor. All through the evenng and the next forenoon she is the sual bright fairy that her father worhips; but hardly has the carriage left he door when she turns to Jimmie, who is standing behind her, with the words-"I will go with you to-morrow!" Poor little lips! How white they are

> the ambition that first prompted him; but for a few moments he wavers in his urpose, so cruel in its sacrifice of this cictim to a destiny so uncertain. He an hardly be blamed for the utter selishness of his plan when we think of the o him, tremendous value of the prize, and the training that has never taught im his intentions are wrong simply beause it has never held up to him the cossibility of them; but still be cannot dp feeling his responsibility in stealing defenseless girl from her home, and oing it by means of systematic deceit oward both her and her father. Only for a few moments does this last, and he lasps in his arms this trembling frame so lovingly, even in its terror, clinging to the manliness that she sees in the fierce triumph shining out of his eyes.
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> The next day all the soft beauty has gone out of Nature, and her sterner nood seems aroused by the unnatural

betrayal of hospitality and deliberate deception instead of being allayed by the appiness of the lovers. The water that orty-eight hours before spoke only of e Skimpole side of life with its lazy acent, now lashes itself to wake to the oming storm. The gentle lapping of ie waves is changed to an uneasy rush and hoarse whisper; their bright diamond points give way to a dull, leaden had that is only harkened by the white capgleaming with their continuous energ as far as the eye can reach. As our run aways fly along on the milway to Roches

, they see the storm-rack "Come rolling in ragged and brown," and in that sheet of spray and rain and wind, each movement overtaking an iding another and another sail, the think they see a shadow of the darknes

Of this part of their story there is litto tell. If we were to follow them we would see them on the wedding-tour, tle inflated by the evident liking and happy in the present, and thinking little even admiration of a pretty and attractive girl; but when there is so great a difdaughter's flight and anger at her husband; his inquiries, too late, about Jimlook for more age and experience than mie by letters and even detectives, with Jimmie had to keep his head from being the reports of mortal turpitude and lead reputation that the detectives feel boy as to give him to justify their use and th pay; and finally comes the day whe under the influence of these reports, o is hurt pride and disappointed affection, and spurred on by his wife's cautious encouragement, he writes to Mr. and Mrs. York, that they shall never enter his

> letter, with its message of sorrow to volunteers in the army of the United Etta, of anger and bitter disappointment States, should be entitled to bear the few thousand dollars that Etta had in ber own bank account at the time of the vet or other commissions.—New York the part of that considerable class found this giving out, a letter begging pardon

and the next to hire desk-room and an And the storm-rack closed down over

The villain was the strongest man, and the way he lathered Gallagher about the girl that any man would; but never expenditure of Etta Larton stage was awful. When it came to the point where the villain was to cry: "Let me up! I'm crushed!" he had Gallagher jammed under the table, and was benting him with a chair-leg, and of course his speech and Gallagher's reply: "I will have dismissed it as an absurd crying see what "fixing" he needs, and almost speech and Gallagher's reply: "I will have dismissed it as an absurd crying see what "fixing" he needs, and almost speech and distance visitors who have happened to row over the lake, he hardly thinks of her as more to him than a beautiful picture. If for a second anything further that trouble has so quicted and changed into the true with a miniature of Etta Larton palpitations, but with considerably more self-possession.

He feels very tremulous again as he enters the door, and as the footman with a gentle persistence, takes him to his row over the lake, he hardly thinks of her as more to him than a beautiful picture. If for a second anything further had entered his mind, he would instantly again any more than other chance visitors who have happened to row over the lake, he hardly thinks of her as more to him than a beautiful picture. He feels very tremulous again as he entered door, and as the footman with a miniature of Etta Larton that trouble has so quicted and changed into the form of the feels were the first trouble has so quicted and changed into the feels were the first trouble has so quicted and changed into the feels were the first trouble has so quicted and changed into the feels were the first trouble has so quicted and changed into the feels were the feel had entered his mind, he would instantly have dismissed it as an absurd crying for the moon. But Etta is not used to give way when he finds himself in the gives way when he finds himself in the most elegant room he has ever seen.

Mr. More, long before this had got him a start in a clerkship with a very small salary; but meeting one day Mrs. Pentre remains a start in a clerkship with a very small salary; but meeting one day Mrs. Pentre remains a start in a clerkship with a very small salary; but meeting one day Mrs. Pentre remains a start in a clerkship with a very small salary; but meeting one day Mrs. Pentre remains a start in a clerkship with a very small salary; but meeting one day Mrs. Pentre remains a start in a clerkship with a very small salary; but meeting one day Mrs. Pentre remains a start in a clerkship with a very small salary; but meeting one day Mrs. Pentre remains a start in a clerkship with a very small salary; but meeting one day Mrs. Pentre remains a start in a clerkship with a very small salary; but meeting one day Mrs. Pentre remains a start in a clerkship with a very small salary; but meeting one day Mrs. Pentre remains a start in a clerkship with a very small salary; but meeting one day Mrs. Pentre remains a start in a clerkship with a very small salary; but meeting one day Mrs. Pentre remains a start in a clerkship with a very small salary; but meeting one day Mrs. come, he had got the audience to shrieking with laughter, and had beaten Gallagher black and blue all over. Gallagher went home terribly enraged, and the rest of the company were delighted. The piece was to be played the next night and Gallagher reported himself too ill to is not the sort of person to fee, she takes escapes a danger in not knowing what cheerful circle, though with the cloud

"My daughter," says this white-haired And now opens the new era in our reading, to gain credit for knowing a man, "I am a widower again, and have swarm, coming down on one in clouds,

> em with you?" "Excuse me, sir," interposes Jimmie.

"I cannot 'be taken' by my wife now: and our struggles together have at least taught me that it is better to make my made of some light material-leno, for

true, I think I shall get the better of any | don Field. bargain I can make with you. I have learned, in short, that you have brains, as well as a handsome face, and am pre-Let us leave them here. This, our and like Hopeful in the story book, he found his fortune when he had truly earned it.

### Wasted Opportunities.

Perry Martin, of Arizona, climbed a

In 1817 the United States had a uni-"Wait until to morrow, and I'll try and form designed to meet the usages of Eu- the first man to greet Livingstone when in which Etta is amusing herself at this country boy's expense; and Mrs, Larton, carriage behind them, she adds: "We of the mission to Ghent in the year 1817, Selim says that he was induced by a which of the mission to Ghent in the year 1817, Selim says that he was induced by a an easy-going woman, not especially re-luctant to see Etta—who is only a step-daughter—get herself into scrapes,

attekings and gold or gilt shoe-buckles. his men.
A three-cornered chapeau bras, not so

Speaki lage as those used by the French, nor stone, the Arab said to the reporter:

so "When we arrived very near to Ujiji

their pats had less embroated, guage,"
those of the Ministers. For the grand guage,"
"How did Stanley act?" was greater than an ordinary levee, a

The above dress prevailed from the Livingstone." te of its promulgation on November 6, 1817, antil Governor Wm. L. Marcy in 1853, issued a circular doing away with

"DEPARTMENT OF STATE, I Washington, June 1, 1853. the liplomatic Agents of the United States to Forego Countries, the following are here-after to be observed: In performing the ceremonies observed on the occasion of his reception, the representa-

tive of the United States will conform, so far as is consistent with a just sense of his devotion to republicin institutions, to the costume of the countrywherein he is to reside, and with ar as is practicable without impairing his usefulness b his country, his appearance at court in the imple dress of an American citi-Should there be cases where this cannot me, owing to the character of the foreign tentations course which was deemed so proper and was so much approved in the earlier days of the Republic. It is our purpose to cultivate themest anicable relations with all countries, and this, we believe, can be effectually done without requiring our diplomatic agents abroad to desert in this respect from what is suited to the gueral sentiments of our fellow-citizens at home. All instructions in regard to what is called diplomatic uniform or court-dress being withdrawn, each of our representatives in other countries will be left to regulate this matter countries will be left to regulate this matter according to his own sense of propriety, and with a due respect to the views of his Government as herein expressed. W. L. Marc... They then the late of the countries of the countri who had served during the late war as

Monkey Shooting in Gambia. The mere fact of slaughtering monkeys will probably not cause any great degree of pleasure to any one aspiring to the title of sportsman, though at the same time a man choosing to kill as many as possible might yet not consider himself altogether wanton in his sport, for the monkeys may be termed vermin. They area great unisance to the agriculturist, and cause much loss, especially in the ground nut plantations, where they frequently pick the seed out of the ground almost as soon as it is planted. To shoot the dog-faced monkey is easy, but to make a bag is quiet another matter. You may knock him out of a tree, or you may bowl him over on the ground, but you will not find him on the spot where you feel sure you saw him fall. Dead or alive, his companions carry him off. and pursuing monkeys on foot is not a game which man is adapted to play successfully. The most likely way to secure a specimen is to take a little boat and pull gently along close into the bank, just after sunset, at which time the monkeys frequently collect in the branches of trees overhanging the river; thus one may be shot so that he falls into the her cousin aside, and persuades him a little against his will to try and make a return for his politeness by asking him to the hop at the Montrose hotel the little know
to the hop at the Montrose hotel the little know
a danger in not knowing what wine to knowing what wine to drink by suddenly becoming to that recollection still casts over them, a visitor comes. So changed is he from the Henry Larton of old, that Etta pauses before she flies to his arms.

The great drawback to this method of aquatic stalking is that in the upper river, and especially at the pauses before she flies to his arms. water, whence his friends are powerless the upper river, and especially at the close of the day, the mosquitoes fairly come to ask you if you will come back to me."

and making shooting a matter of great determination and endurance. Certainly it is eary easy to say that such and such you; but I have a husband and a child."
"My dear," smiling, "I don't want to separate you from them. Can't you bring the posure against which most Europeans are not proof, to say nothing of the attacks of the above pests, though they may, to a certain extent, be balked by wearing over the hands and face bags own living than to live on any man's instance. Perhaps at some future date monkey skins may become of commer-"Mr. Gordon, I do not wish you to | cial value, and when they do the Gambia come for your sake, but for mine; and if | will be able to flood the market, and the the reports of your business capacity are ground nut growers will rejoice.-Lon-

from a negro cabin. The chunk was crooked, short, and by no means over heavy. The son threw it upon his shoulder and walked away to the cabin, where "Do you not look back into the dim he procured an ax, and in a few strokes vista of by-gone years with a feeling of cut into the hollow. He inserted his Ledger, regret at wasted opportunities that cause arm and took from the chunk two fine, a tugging at the heart-strings?" Tug- fat rabbits, and thinking that all, left. ging's no name for it. We had a chance In the afternoon the old man who lived once in the army to make a fortune on in the cabin carried into his room one mules by putting our names to a false section of the chunk and threw it upon certificate, and we declined to do it. The the fire. After heating a while, and "No—oh, no!" cried the frightened now owns an orange grove, two blocks, a fast horse and a steam yacht. This was sak for his consent?"

Iman who proposed now owns an orange grove, two blocks, a bouncing fat fellows jumped out fast horse and a steam yacht. This was stewed, and furnished a most enjoyable meal for the old darkey and his wife.

MISTRESS - "Mary, this venerable onld have done that," replied the that about himself of the dog had come at me that he is only a poor workman's son; but he came at me with his bit.

"—Galveston News.

Index with the full truth about himself on the dance just commencing. When the found the coon to be a bear will never be known, as the bruin cuffed him off a limb and he had a fall of fifty for the dance just commencing. When the found the coon to be a bear will never be known, as the bruin cuffed him off a limb and he had a fall of fifty help me alone. It rests with you, and if feet. How Stanley Met Livingstone.

Selim Hashme, a young Arabian, was standing cape embroidered with gold, taking him on the expedition instead. ton-holes, slightly embroidered. Buttons Stanley's force and that of King Mirambo. plain, or if they can be had, with the The latter wanted tribute before allowartillerist's eagle stamped upon them, i. ing the caravan to pass through his e, an eagle flying, with a wreath in his country, but it was refused. During the month, grasping lightning in one of its conflict the men all deserted the white talons. Cuffs embroidered in the man, and Stanley wanted to give up the ner of the cape, white cassimere contest, but Selim refused, and continued breches; gold knee-buckles, white silk to fight while Stanley went back to find

Speaking of the meeting with Livingand how they quiver! Jimmie Gordon blank and to which an eagle was really loves her, and is very earnest in afterword attached. Sword, etc., corstone. One was named Chooms, the other Susie. They were dressed in The Secretaries of Legation had the white shirts and wore white turbans, ame estume, with the exception that They said, 'Good morning, sir; how do their pats had less embroidery than you do? speaking in the English lan-

"He was very excited, I said: 'Do coat similar to that above described, but you believe now we have found Livingembroilered round the .kirts and down stone? He replied: 'No, no; not until the breast as well as at the cuffs and I see him with my eyes. The sexvants upon as recommended. The coats were of Livingstone remained with us to show tinguished as the great and the small | us the road, as it was yet eight hours miform A white ostrich feather, or traveling to Ujiji. I was at the head of dumet, was recommended for the Min- the caravan, and was the first to see ister's lat not standing erect, but sewed Livingstone. Without stopping, I rushed back to Stanley and shouted: 'I saw

"Then what did he say?" "He merely said, 'I shall not believe it until I see him.' So I hurried Stanley such miforms in a great degree, as fol- up to the front, and pointing with my hand to the man whom he had come to find, I said, 'There is Livingstone; see Then Stanley's calmness left him, and he lifted his cap and shouted, 'Hurrah!'

"How did the two men act?" "We were then at Ujiji, Stanley and Livingstone stood afar off from each other, adherence to what he called "dimogratic" looking hard at one another, as if they did not know what to do. Then Stanley lifted his cork hat and Livingstone lifted the rules pre-cribed for representatives of his | his cap, which had gold stripes. Stanley rank, but the Department would encourage, as | said, 'Dr. Livingstone, I presume.' I forgot what Livingstone said. "Did they embrace?"

"No, they merely shook hands. Liv- Prizident of the United States." stone was plainly anory b Government, without detriment to the public did not see the English flag anywhere, continued: interest, the searest approach to it compatible He did not like Americans to find him, pooblic gardner. interest, the tearest approach to it compatible with the due performance of his duties is earnestly recommended. The simplicity of our mages and the tone of feeling among our people is much more in accordance with the example of confirst and most disguished representative at a loval Court than the practice which has since revailed. It is to be regretted that there was ever any departure in this respect from the example of Dr. Franklin. History has recorded and commended this example, so congenial to the spirit of our political institutions. The Department is desirons of removing all distancies to a return to the simple and unostentations course which was deemed so proper and was so much approved in the earlier days.

He did not like Americans to find him, Then we went to his hut, made of much and dried grass, Its carpet was buffalo skins, and lion and tiger skins were on the walls. We took seats on the floor, and Livingstone was very anxious to hicar about the world outside. About five or six minutes afterward Stanley said: 'Selim, bring out the last bottle of champagne.' It had been kept for this occasion. I got the bottle and a little silver and gilt cup Stanley had brought from Bombay. We had no "No, Mr. Maher, I like the appearance of these grounds; they look in much better condition than they did when I was a Senator."

"Well, Mr. Maher, I like the appearance of these grounds; they look in much better condition than they did when I was a Senator."

"Och, its me trade; was fotched up to it; but, may it plaze your Honor, it's rumored about here that I'm to be distinguished representations."

"Dismined with time." of champagne.' It had been kept for this occasion. I got the bottle and a little silver and gilt cup Stanley had brought from Bombay. We had no corkscrew, and I asked should I break the bottle. 'No, will Stanley tree will the bottle.' the bottle. 'No,' said Stanley, 'you will lose the champagne.' He took the botthe wine. He gave the silver-gilded glass to Livingstone, and I brought him an African cup made out of the shell of a cocoanut. I poured out the wine, first to Livingstone and then to Stepler o Livingstone and then to Stanley, They drank three times, first to America,

Brief and Comprehensive.

Years ago, when the subject was ready on all occasions to bitterly oppose internal improvements of every kind that can appeal to the pockets of tax-payers. canal a meeting of the legal voters was called to see if the town would pledge its credit if necessary; or would recognize by vote the necessity of the work.

The meeting was opened, and the op-ponents were out in full force; and they had engaged a penurious old deacon, who never paid a tax that he could avoid paying, to argue their case. They thought e could do it. He could worry the other side down, and wear them out, any

The moderator read the warrant, and stated the object of the meeting; and, in a few very choice, clear, and pleasantly spoken words, he stated the facts in the ase, and made known what it was hoped, by the liberal and progressive lement, the town would do. And then the peppery old deacon sprang to his feet, and opened his magazine of general abuse and scurrility. He talked an hour and a half—a tempest of ugly, false and insinuating stuff, which lisgusted even some of his own supporters. He closed with a grand peroration on the power and majesty of God, and the

of the Almighty Architect of the Universe. "Mr. Moderator," he said, with a grand spread of his arms, "if there had been intended a water communication between Harrison and Portland-cutting through Cumberland County like a river-the Almighty would have put it than! Where the Supreme Archiect wants water to flow He'll make it flow; and He won't see puny, insignificant man interfere with His divine plans! Feller citizens! Mind what I tell you!"

wickedness of interfering with the plans

And Deacon Skinflint sat down. And, on the instant, up rose 'Squire Sam Littlefield, with his pleasant, jolly face all aglow, and said he: Book that in a certain piace there was than the roots of ordinary cultivated lack of water; and Abraham digged a plants penetrate is enormous. This

The thing took wonderfully. That simple sentence—"and Abraham digged has two other effects, both of which re-A father and son went out into the snow rabbit hunting. The snow measured twelve inches in depth in some ured twelve inches in depth in some for the "previous question" was carried; they carry off the moisture which is in places, and at no place was it less than six. While strolling along signs unmistakable led them to a hollow chunk not great improvement?—and it was carried stances been entirely annihilated, except more than three hundred yards away by an overwhelming majority. And yet during the winter months. This has deit was said, by those who ought to know, creased the volume of water in the creeks that, had some friend of the measure and rivers, and consequently decreased followed old Skinflint in an exhaustive the attractive force for the clouds and speech, the chances would have been the amount of water evaporated from the

Wz will give \$100 reward for a man who, when he undertakes to make a reply in an article in the newspapers, has never said, or been known to say: "My attention having been called," etc., etc. Is it possible that no public man ever read a newspaper, or, if reading, does not discover his own name the very first in a million ems of matter? If there is such a fellow, let him be stuffed for a monument to the man who ever told a

bundle of straws.

Tales of Ye Olden Time in Washington

Be pleased to take seats gentlemen. I am going to tell some true stories. I promise not to bore you. Lemonoski came to this country many years ago, and succeeded in obtaining a clerkship in the Postoffice Department. According to his account of himself he had been a soldier under the great Napoleon. Nothing pleased him better than to meet with, I opportunity of reciting his military exploits. It is hardly necessary to say that some of them were marvelous and always excited a smile of incredulity. At length a fellow-clerk

"Lemonoski, I have often heard you fight over your old battles, now let me give you my sad military experience. I was a soldier in the Black Hawk war. In the very first en centent I saw three stalwart Imicros ones in full speed after my scalp. I was armed with an old-fashioned double-barrded shot-gun. I let her loose upon the two that were in the lead, and killed them as dead as Julius Casar. The third came rushing upon me with his bloody tomshawk raised above his head, and what do you suppose happened then?"

You killed him, of course. "Not exactly," quietly replied the Black Hawk warrior; "he killed me." A roar of laughter was raised among the bystanders and poor Lemonoski's yarns were knocked clear out of him. Gen. Jackson, about the year 1832, gave Jimmie Maher the appointment of public gardener in Washington. Salary \$1,500 a year and trimmings. The trimmings, perhaps, amounted to a much larger sum. To keep the public grounds in proper order were the duties to be performed. Jimmie, when I made his acquaintance, knew every body from Henry Clay down to Ephraim Frost, the colored hack-driver. He was a warmhearted, liberal Irishman, He never took a drink, save when he was thirsty, and then he invited all the bystanders adherence to what he called "dimocratic" principles. Some hungry Whigs in 1841 wanted his place, and Jimmie, for a while, was very uneasy. One morning he met Gen. Harrison in the public grounds, and taking off his hat, he thus

nddressed him; "I presume this is Gineral Harrison, affirmative answer "My name is Maher. I am

that account. "A thousand thanks to your Excel-

Harrison smiled, and assured him that he had no idea of turning him out. then to England, and last to Livingstone's Whereupon Jimmie broke down to the health, and to Stanley for having found | place where he had some hands at work and gave them a report of his interview. He closed it with this grand exclamation "By Jove, boys, Prizident Harrison is a rale Gineral Jackson of a fellow!"

About three weeks after the inauguration of Gen. Harrison a well-dressed young man of some thirty summers walked into one of the hotels of this city with a fiddle on his arm and said: "Gentlemen (all eyes were at once turned upon him). I have come here like thousands of others to see what I could see and get what I could get; but I have been disappointed in eyerything. I get no office, got out of money, and

got many miles to retrace; I am too hon-

est to steal, too pround to beg, and I

concluded to come in here to-day and make a little in an honest way." Suiting the action to the word, he began to play the fiddle. This comical scene afforded considerable amusement to the persons there assembled. They asked him bow much money it would take to carry him home. He said \$40. In less than ten minutes that amount was raised for him. Sitting down and count-

ng over his money, he found that they had given him \$43. "By George!" said he, "here's a surplus of \$3. Come in, gentlemen, all of on, and take something to drink." I never saw nor heard of him aftervard. I have regretted that I did not earn his name and keep the hang of him. The chances are that he has since filled some high political position. - Washing-

fon Letter.

The Cause of Droughts.

is contained in it a considerable depth below the surface. This moisture, much of it at least, is evaporated by the leaves, "Mr. Moderator, we read in the Good from the strata of the earth lower down gether. well there, and called the place Beer- water, if not drawn up by the roots of Sheba. Sir, I move the previous quest trees, would gradually make its way into creeks and rivers, and ultimately into the ocean. Cutting down the forests decidedly the other way .- New York surface of the earth in our particular section. - Cortland Standard.

Dared Not Tell Ilim.

A New York citizen, says the Hour, who, in his lifetime, had been by no means distinguished for his public or private virtues, departed for another world. His disconsolate widow received a visit from a condoling friend, who found her sadly sitting with her young-est in her lap. "I am so dreadfully sad," said the widow; "and even my "The liberty of the press must be preserved," said the small boy, as he stole up to the citler will a small boy, as he stole up to the citler will a small boy, as he stole up to the citler will a small boy, as he stole up to the citler will a small boy, as he stole up to the citler will a small boy, as he stole up to the citler will a small boy, as he was a small a small even my baby looks up in my face, and lisps, "Where's papa?" "Ah," said the seven-year-old boy, playing about the room, stole up to the cider-mill armed with a "but you know, mamma, you don't dare cent for the marriage license and had no

Of medium height, stocky build, straight as an arrow, strong, firm, and quick in movement, a well-poised head, dark, keen, piercing, though kindly, eyes, large head, covered with thick iron-gray hair, well-trimmed whiskers flecked white, a cleanly-shaven upper lip, a large mouth, a large nose, and heavy chin-this is the outline in a word of the Chief Justice of the United States. One may see this figure almost any morning before eleven o'clock on the avenue on the way to the capitol, a light, quick, springing step, and a face as eager and kindly as a school-boy's. The same figure you will often see soon after four o'clock, going in the opposite direction, with movements not quite so brisk, and a face more settled and thoughtful.

The Chief Justice Waite.

When Mr. Morrison R. Waite, of Ohio, was appointed Chief Justice, in January, 1874, the news was received with surprise all over the country, and no one was more surprised than Mr. Waite himself. His name had not been publicly mentioned, for he was not publicly known. He never heard his name in connection with the office, and therefore did not seek the office. Instead, he was as ignorant of his nomination as the most obscure man in Toledo. He was presiding over the State Constitutional Convention when the news reached him. At this exciting moment he showed on the bench. Although his appointment was a universal surprise, this may

the same poise, self-possession, and dignity that have made him distinguished be said of the Chief Justice now, that if there should be a vacancy in the Chief Justiceship to-morrow, every judge upon the Supreme Beach would vote for him in preference to suybody except himself. So with the lawyers practic at the bar. Judge Waite has won this position by, first, bringing to the bench an experience gained by long and successful practice; second, a practical, executive mind; third, an even temper and patience; fourth, good stalwart intellect and quick judgment; fifth, firmness, and, sixth, what is vulgarity called good "horse sense." He went on the bench to do the business of the court in a proper manner, not for the purpose of making himself a candidate for the Presidency. He has succeeded and is succeeding. He does not seek to make a political or a judicial reputation by a clap-trap and fire-works. He is the same to-day he was yesterday and he will be the same to-morrow. Whatever he has to do he will do faithfully, and he is willing to wait for whatever reputation comes, John Marshall was Chief Justice for a period of thirty-five years. Roger B. Taney occupied the same position twentyeight years. Judge Waite's brethren upon the bench and the lawyers practicing in the court all agree that for the dispatch of business, for accuracy, for attention to details, for courtesy to beach and bar, and all the qualities necessary in a Chief Justice, Judge Waite is without a peer. With all his agreeable man ners and amiability, his strong face and heavy jaws point him out even to him who runs as a man not to be trifled with. He is pretty sure to do what he undertakes, or else physiognomy does not

amount to much. Chief Justice Waite comes naturally settled in Lyme, Conn., where he was born, more than two hundred years ago. There were many lawyers among them, his father was Chief Justice of the State The present Judge Waite was the youngest of eight children. He was born in 1816, and is therefore sixty-four years old-an admirably preserved man. While at Lyme he passed all the joys and sorrows of a boy. Sometimes the world looked dark to him, and sometimes it was full of joy and promise. I suppose it is so with every country boy. In due time, however, he went to Yale College. He was graduated with honor when he was twenty-one years old. In his class were William M. Evarts, Edward Pierrepont, Prof. Benjamin Silliman, jun., and others who have since become distinguished. Even at that early day he was noted for his evenlydeveloped and well-balanced mind. He studied law with his father, but before he was admitted he went to Ohio, finished his studies, and was admitted to the bar

in 1839.— Washington Republic.

Story About John B. Gough. John B. Gough, who had faced over eight thousand audiences, acknowledges that on one occasion, and one only, he encountered an embarrassment he could not overcome. It was his own fault, he says, and proved a sharp lesson he never forgot. In his own words;

I was engaged to address a large num-ber of children in the afternoon, the meeting to be held on the lawn of the Baptist Church in Providence, R. I. In the forenoon a friend met me and

"I have some first-rate cigars; will you have a few?"

"No, I thank you," "Do take a half-dozen."

"I have nowhere to put them." "You can put half a dozen in your I were a cap in those days, and I put the cigars into it, and at the appointed time I went to the meeting. I ascended the platform and faced an audience of more than two thousand children. As it was out-of-doors I kept my cap on for fear of taking cold, and I forgot all about the cigars. Toward the close of my speech I became more in earnest,

company, bad habits, and the saloons, I "Now, boys, let us give three rousing cheers for temperance and for cold

and, after warning the boys against bad

water. Now, then, three cheers. Hur-And, taking off my cap, I waved it The question is often asked, why most vigorously, when away went the froughts are more common latterly than | cigars right into the midst of the audiin former years. The main reason, we ence. The remaining cheers were very concede, however, to be, because the faint, and were nearly drowned in the forests have been cut down. The effects | laughter of the crowd. I was mortified of forests upon the atmosphere are two and ashamed, and should have been refold. They fill the sir with dampness, lieved could I have sunk through the platform out of sight. Myfeelings were and again this dampness, when it is condensed into clouds, is attracted by the forests. The roots of trees run deep into the ground and absorb the moisture that of those dreadful cigars, saying: "Here's

one of your cigars, Mr. Gough.' Though I never afterward put cigars in my cap or hat on going to a meeting, and thus the air is loaded with water. I am ashamed to say it was some time The amount of water that is drawn up after that before I gave up cigars alto-

To Rid a Loft of Rats.

Take a pint of common tar, half an ounce of vitriol, and a good handful of common salt; mix them all well to-gether in any old deep pan. Get some pieces of paper, and put some of the above mixture very thick on the paper, and place enough of this into the holes sufficient to stop them, and then let the bricklayer make good after you, and if von should find any of the holes opened again, it is quite certain you had not put in a sufficient quantity.

For smoking rats out behind the wainscot : Find out a small hole or crack, then take a handful of common salt, and put it in at the hole or crack, and pour upon the salt a spoon-ful or two of oil of vitriol, and this will make such a fumigation or smoke that they cannot bear it. Then stop the hole or crevice again that the smoke may not come out. Do this in two or three places as near where you hear they are as you can, and it will cause them to forsake those places. This method is very safe, as no damage can possibly ensue to the wainscot from the smoke. - Vermin Catcher, 1768.

A COLORED man and woman were married at Lincoln, Neb., the other day, and at nightfall applied for quarters in the city jail. The groom had spent his last

home for the bride.